

DETAILED ACTION

The RCE filed on 4/9/2008 has been entered. The information disclosure statement filed on 4/9/2008 has been considered. Claims 1-21 are presented for examination.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-21 are allowed.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: The prior art fails to disclose a processing for providing a composite identity marking comprising: (i) first identify marking and a second identify marking; (ii) first and second marking stations; and having the specific process of marking the first side and second side of the substrate of the security document in the manners as recited in claim 1. The prior art also fails to disclose the limitations of claim 16.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to THIEN M. LE whose telephone number is (571)272-2396. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 7:30am - 4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Steve S. Paik can be reached on (571) 272-2404. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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